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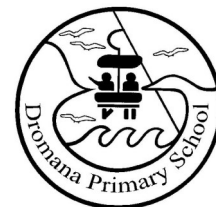
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What's on in February

Monday 6th February	2.30pm Grade 3-Grade 6 Assembly 3.00 pm Grade 1-Grade 2 Assembly
Tuesday 7th February	7.00pm Fete Committee meeting
Thursday 9th February	4.00pm Finance Committee
Monday 13th February	Water Safety Program commences 2.30pm Grade 3-Grade 6 Assembly 3.00 pm Grade 1-Grade 2 Assembly
Tuesday 14th February	Water Safety Program
Wednesday 15th February	Water Safety Program 6.45pm Buildings and Grounds Committee 7.30pm School Council
Thursday 16th February	Water Safety Program Newsletter
Monday 20th February	Water Safety Program continues 2.30pm Grade 3-Grade 6 Assembly 3.00 pm Grade 1-Grade 2 Assembly
Tuesday 21st February	Water Safety Program continues 3.40-6.30pm Meet the teacher 7.30pm Parents and Friends
Wednesday 22th February	Water Safety Program continues 3.40-6.30pm Meet the teacher District Swimming Sports
Thursday 23rd February	Water Safety Program continues
Friday 24th February	Last day of Water safety program
Monday 27th February	Mobile Dental service commences 2.30pm Grade 3-Grade 6 Assembly 3.00 pm Grade 1-Grade 2 Assembly 9.00-12.00 St Kilda Football Club to visit the school
Tuesday 28th of February	Mobile Dental service continues

Thursday 2 February, 2017



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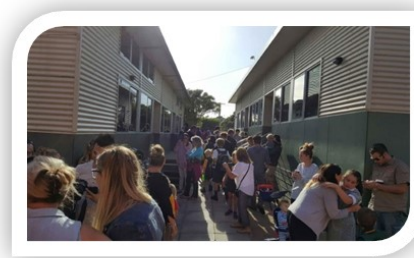
Student school banking is every Tuesday morning.



Please make sure you have **approved** your child's attendance at the **Beach Program** on Compass prior to this Friday the 10th of February.

Welcome Back

I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable holiday. The students have quickly returned to their school routines and settled in really well to their new grades. A special welcome to our new students and families. Our 2017 Preps have made a tremendous start today and are quickly learning all about primary school. Given the short time since students have returned to school and our first newsletter we will start our "Students of the Fortnight" and "Stars" for the next newsletter in February



Welcome to our new teachers: Miss Stephanie Borschmann (1B) , Mr Shane Thomas (3D) and welcome back to Miss Mandy Eldridge from family leave (4E).

Students in grades 1 through to 6 start the water safety program on February 13th through to February 24th. Please ensure your child has the correct gear for their session.

Compass - COMPASS is our primary means of communication between home and school. Compass provides many useful and important functions for parents to be in touch with school, covering health, behavioural and academic issues. You can use Compass to advise school of your child's absence, receive information from the school sick bay about any non-urgent health issues your child may have experienced during their day, approve your child's participation on excursions and view your child's school report. There are many more options and features available to parents.

If you have any issues setting up your account please book an appointment with Nick Davern (Assistant Principal) by ringing the school office.

Compass can be accessed directly through the school website link via the 'Compass Portal' button, or <https://dromanaps.vic.jdlf.com.au>

Parents are encouraged to download the updated apps (Compass school manager) for both android or apple devices. Please note that to give permission for excursions or camps parents must use the web portal.

Parent Involvement- Parent helpers are often required to assist class teachers. This year we are seeking a parent/ teacher representative for every class. Teachers may approach you to be the class representative for your child's class in the weeks leading up to 'Meet the Teacher' interviews.

There are many ways to be involved in the education of your child. The school appreciates your time and assistance.

Membership of School Council and the Parents and Friends group can be part of this. Please see "What's On" for dates of meetings. An election process is held in Term 1 to fill School Council vacancies. Parents and Friends is open to interested members of the school community. Parent helpers are often required to assist class teachers. particularly in the junior grades. Teachers will let grade parents know where help may be required.

Car Parking and Traffic - New innovative parking signs are placed on display around our school and have made for a much smoother and safer form of dropping off and picking up of students. This signage has the sole aim of improving safety around Dromana Primary. We worked closely with the Mornington Peninsula Shire to optimise the safety of our students and I'd like to thank you for your support and co-operation in maximising these new initiatives. A brochure clearly explaining the 'Kiss and Go', 'Wait a While' and 'Park Walk' signage is available at the school office. Our school crossings are well maintained and manned. They are the safest place to cross the road around our school. Thank you for your assistance.

Student Supervision - Teachers are on yard duty from 8.45am to 9.00am and 3.30pm to 3.45pm. In the morning students who are at school earlier than 8.45am are required to remain on the asphalted areas of the school. No students are to arrive at school prior to 8.30am as they cannot be supervised. Please utilise our before school or after school care run by Camp Australia before 8.30am or after 3.45pm. Please book online at www.campastralia.com.au or alternatively on 0426 659 036. At recess and lunchtime our yard is covered by yard duty staff to supervise student play and activities.

No Dogs- A reminder that dogs are not permitted on school grounds. If your dog has shared the walk to or from school please also ensure you pick up after your dog if necessary. Many of our students share the same paths.

Emergency and Medical Details- please ensure that the Office has your latest contact details including emergency/back up names and numbers. Any medications or updated epipens need to be signed in to the office via a parent. These may have changed since last year. A note to update these details will go home next Monday the 6th of February. Up to date details are very important when students are sick or injured or when contact has to be made.

Attendance- we encourage students to have high levels of attendance at school as this allows full participation in the program and learning opportunities. However, if they are ill, school is not the place for them. Please

ensure any absences from school are entered through parent approval via Compass.

Looking forward to a great year at Dromana Primary School!

Bruce Mesley
Principal

The DPS second hand uniform shop is open every Monday 8.50-9.15am and Friday from 3pm. If parents have any decent second hand uniforms their children have outgrown, we would greatly appreciate them in our second hand uniform shop,

Dromana Tennis Club -

Free Open morning
Come along on Sunday 12th
February. 9.30 - 11.30am. Free
social tennis for adults and
tennis based games for
children. Courts are in
Marna St. Enquiries to
Geraldine 5987 2978 or
0419 565 416